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In re the Application of: **HIWATA, Akira, et al.**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 18, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract being on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.